Central Government have announced a scheme of Growth Centres to be set up in backward districts. Further, Government have, in principle, agreed to extend the 'Transport Subsidy Scheme' during the Eighth Five Year Plan under which subsidy is admissible to industrial units set up in selected backward/hilly areas for movement of raw material and finished products subject to prescribed conditions.

Transportation of Bomby High Gas to Pipavav

2974. SHRI JITENDRABHAI LABHSHANKER BHATT:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI CHHOTUBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gujarat Government has represented for bringing the Bombay High gas near Pipavav land-fall point; and

(b) if so, at what is the present stage of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a and (b) Yes, Sir. The proposal was to bring natural gas from the Mid and South Tapti gas fields in the Western Offshore to the Pipavav landfall point. While it has been decided in principle to commit gas from the Tapti field for a power plan to be set up at Pipavav at Saurasthra Coast, this project would be subject to availability of necessary outlays for the Oil & Ga_s Sector as also for the Power Sector in the 8th Five Year Plan.

Allotment of Funds for Salt Labourers' Welfare Activities in Gujarat

2975. SHRI JITENDRABHAI LABSHANKER BHATT:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact athat Gujarat contributes 75 per cent or even more towards the total salt cess of the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that during the last so many years, out of the total expenditure met from the salt cess, only about 20 per cent expenditure is incurred in Gujarat; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government propose to take to allot more funds for the Salt Labourers' Welfare activities in Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) The total cess collection from Salt Industry during the last 5 years has been Rs. 873.90 lakhs, out of which the Contribution of salt manufacturers of Gujarat was Rs. 634.59 lakhs, constituting 72.62 per cent. Similarly the expenditure met out of salt cess proceeds on the development/labour welfre works relating to salt industry during the last 5 years was Rs. 382.60 lakhs, of which an amount of Rs. 82.68 lakhs, constituting 21.6 per cent was spent in Gujarat.

No Statewise allocation is made for incurring expenditure out of the salt cess proceeds. The Salt Cess Act provides that salt cess proceeds are to be utilised mainly for meeting the establishment expenditure of the Salt Department and the surplus, if any, for the development of the Salt industry in the country. Expenditure out of the Cess

proceeds is sanctioned in accordance with the code of principles, which are revised from time to time in consultation with the State Governments.

सफदरजंग अस्पताल नई दिल्ली के अस्थि-शल्य विभाग के निदेशक के विरुद्ध शिकायतें

2976. **श्री राम सिंह राठवा :** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सफदरजंग अस्पताल, नई दिल्ली के अस्थि-शल्य विभाग के निदेशक के विरुद्ध उनके अधीनस्थ डाक्टरों, विशेषकर महिला डाक्टरों से अभद्र व्यवहार करने तथा कुछ डाक्टरों को स्थानान्तरित करवाने के आरोपों के संबंध में भी आज की तिथि तक प्राप्त हुए अभ्यावेदनों की संख्या कितनी है ;

(ख) उन पर सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ; और

(ग) यदि अभी तक कोई कार्यवाही नहीं की गई है तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रशीद मसूद) (क) सफदरजंग अस्पताल में विशेषज्ञ, संवेदनाहरण, डा० (श्रीमती) एस० एच० मान्य से एक शिकायत प्राप्त हुई थी, जिसमें नई दिल्ली के सफदरजंग अस्पताल में केंद्रीय विकलांग संस्थान के निदेशक डा० वी० पी० बंसल द्वारा 11 सितम्बर, 1989 को अस्पताल के ऑपरेशन थियेट में उनके साथ दुर्व्यवहार करने का आरोप लगाया गया है ।

(ख) डा० बंसल के खिलाफ उपर्युक्त महिला डाक्टर के साथ दुर्व्यवहार करने के लिए बड़ी शास्ति (पेनल्टी) हेतु विभागीय कार्यवाही शुरू कर दी गई है ।

(ग) यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Construction of Dimapur Airport Terminal

2977. SHRI KHYOMO LOTHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to construct an Airport Terminal at Dimapur;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) by when it is likely to be constructed?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The construction of a new terminal complex at Dimapur airport has been planned at an estimated cost of Rs. 374.60 lakhs. Detailed estimates and drawings have been prepared.

(c) The work is likely to commence shortly.

Reservation of seats in Medical Colleges

2978. SHRI RAJUBHAI A PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of seats reserved under the 15% quota as per the directive of Supreme Court in the medical colleges all over India;

(b) what is the Statewise break-up of seats filled and how many of these remain unfilled and what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what steps his Ministry has suggested for the filling up of these unfilled seats; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the scheme is unpopular due to unimaginative seats distribution policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) to (c) As per the directives of the Supreme Court all the concerned State/UT Governments, except Jammu and Kashmir and Andhra Pradesh contribute 15% MBBS/BDS seats without taking into account any reservation, for All India Entrance Examination conducted by Central Board